UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE MORTGAGE LAW GROUP, LLP, (D/B/A THE LAW FIRM OF MACEY, ALEMAN & SEARNS), CONSUMER FIRST LEGAL GROUP, LLC, THOMAS G. MACEY, JEFFREY J. ALEMAN, JASON E. SEARNS, and HAROLD E. STAFFORD,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:14-cv-00513

JOINT MOTION FOR A ONE-WEEK CONTINUATION OF THE AGREED TRIAL COMMENCEMENT DATE

Plaintiff, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau ("Bureau"), and defendants Consumer First Legal Group, LLC, Thomas G. Macey, Jeffrey J. Aleman, Jason E. Searns, and Harold E. Stafford (collectively "Defendants"), through their respective undersigned counsel, respectfully move the Court to continue the commencement of trial by one week to April 24, 2017 instead of April 17, 2017. In support of this motion, the parties state as follows:

- 1. On July 20, 2016, the Court issued an Opinion and Order ("July Order") requiring the parties to meet, confer, and submit a proposed trial plan and ordering a telephonic scheduling conference to discuss the proposed trial plan. (Dkt. 191)
- 2. On August 17, 2016, the Court and the parties participated in a telephonic scheduling conference, during which it was agreed by the parties that trial would commence on April 17, 2017 and continue into the week of April 24, 2017. (Dkt. 196)
- 3. After the scheduling conference, it came to the attention of counsel for the parties that April 16, 2017 is Easter Sunday.

4. Counsel for the parties believes that it would be unduly burdensome for the trial to begin the day after Easter Sunday, not only for counsel but also for witnesses who will be required to travel to testify at the trial during the first week. Counsel proposes that a short continuance of the trial commencement date will obviate the need for counsel and witnesses to be traveling or working on Easter Sunday.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully request that the Court set the trial commencement date as April 24, 2017, with the trial continuing into the week of May 1, 2017.

Date: August 26, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

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Respectfully submitted,

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